

Sustainable Bioenergy Solutions for Tomorrow

## SUSTAINABLE BIOENERGY SOLUTIONS FOR TOMORROW (BEST)

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# BEST program – Creating the big picture of the bioenergy field



Source: MTT

**Technologies** *Pyrolysis, gasification, torrefaction, fermentation, combustion...* 

Strategies and policies

Bionergy markets, investments and financing Biomass feedstocks, potential and mobilization

**Sustainability** 

Bioenergy carriers Chips, pellets, biomethane, biodiesel, bioethanol...



best



Source: Andritz









#### **BEST** vision

Finnish bioenergy actors cooperate as a bioenergy ecosystem and have worldclass know-how that can be used as competitive advantage in seizing global bioenergy opportunities







## The main objectives of the program



- Joining the strengths of the energy and forest sectors

#### Current status

CHP (combined heat and power) generation is competitive in Finland

Established methods allow efficient harvesting, supply and processing of forest biomass; other biomasses are used only in minor quantities (in Finland)

The business environment is relatively stable for now, but several political and sustainability issues might change in the near future

#### Future status

CHP and other energy concepts can be successfully exported to new markets

New solutions (including multi-fuel biomass processing terminals) enable the flexible and cost efficient supply of different fuels

Finnish companies share a common understanding of and capabilities of adapting to the future bioenergy business environment







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# Focus area 1: Understanding the future business environment











#### Focus area 2 – Sustainability

<u>Goal:</u> Creating a systematic framework for defining and assessing the overall sustainability of different bioenergy chains, taking into account the different dimensions of sustainability:

- o **Economic**
- o Environmental
- o Social

Expected business impact: A set of approaches that companies can use for both defensive (reactive) and proactive sustainability strategies



The basic framework for assessing the sustainability of bioenergy. (Source: LUT)







## Focus area 3: Radical improvement of bioenergy supply chains





# Focus area 4: Understanding new markets to boost opportunities for bioenergy export



A thorough understanding of new markets and their business environment is a prerequisite for creating successful export concepts



Biomass transportation in India. Source: VTT

- **Case areas**: India, Poland, Germany, Baltic Sea area...
- International patners of the program:
  - India: TERI, IFSON
  - IEA Bioenergy
  - Ongoing discussion with Argentine partners







#### Why use India as a case country for bioenergy?

Biomass sources in India:			
	Area (Mha)	Biomass Generation (Mt/a)	Biomass Surplus (Mt/a)
Agricultural residues	287	511	145
Forest	64	89	60
Wasteland	54	66	44

Source: Biomass Resource Atlas of India, http://lab.cgpl.iisc.ernet.in/atlas/Default.aspx "India is set to overtake China in the 2020s as the principal source of growth in global energy demand."

"China and India together build almost 40% of the world's new power generation capacity."

- World Energy Outlook, IEA





### Focus area 5: Urban city bioenergy concepts



Main driver: The most likely future bioenergy application environment is a big city.





Mumbai





#### BEST partners 21 companies, 13 research organizations











#### Two phases of BEST: 2013-14 and 2015-16

- The volume of the program is about 4 MEUR annually
- The current research areas and content are set until the end of 2014
  - The research needs of the latter phase will be determined based on the results and knowledge created in the first phase



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